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Place of birth L'Aquila
Date of birth 4th December 1991
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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

October 2017 – date

PhD candidate in Linguistics- Department of Literary and Linguistics Studies, University of Padova (Italy)

Research project: Migrants over time and cultures: a corpus-assisted newspaper discourse analysis of the metaphorical representation of migrants. The cases of U.S.A, and Italy between 1900 and 2000.

Supervisors: Maria Teresa Musacchio, Giorgio Maria Di Nunzio

External Supervisor: Charlotte Taylor

Experiences abroad:

Erasmus Traineeship – Research Assistant at University of Sussex (United Kingdom) - from January 2019 to July 2019

December 2016 - June 2018

Master course “Digital Marketing, Communication and Made in Italy”.

Centro Studi Comunicare l'Impresa Via Mitolo, 23 - 70124 Bari.

Digital Marketing; International business and marketing; International relationships and marketing.

September 2013 - July 2017

MA in Linguistics, Digital Communication, Technologies and Cognitive

Studies - University of Siena (Italy) Thesis title: “A Corpus-Based study of the Representation of Migrants, Refugees and Asylum Seekers in British Broadsheets”

Supervisors: Professor Alison Margaret Duguid; Professor Cristiano Chesi;

Experiences abroad:

- Erasmus Traineeship – Research Assistant at University of Sussex (United Kingdom) - from September 2016 to December 2017)

September 2010 – **BA in Modern Literature and Linguistics – University of Siena (Italy)**

September 2013 Thesis title: “In Margine al terremoto de L’Aquila: il caso Giuliani”

[“*In the margine of L’Aquila’s earthquake: Giuliani’s case*”]

Supervisor: Giovanni Gozzini

September 2005 – **High School Degree – Liceo Classico “D. Cotugno” of L’Aquila (Italy)**

July 2010

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

February 2019 - date **CADAAD Journal Critical Approaches to Discourse Analysis across Disciplines**
Reviewer

November 2018 – date **I-LanD Research Center**
Member

June 2018 – April 2019 **The Scarlet Letters – Taboos of Language and Literature in the Contemporary Age.**
Member of the organizing committee

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

13th June 2018 Del Fante, D. Zorzi, F. (2018), Discourse and populism in politicians’ social media messages, public speeches and TV interviews. Presented at ‘9th Inter-Varietal Applied Corpus Studies International Biennial Conference 2018’ - University of Malta.

Del Fante, D. (2018), Predicating migrants before and after Brexit: a corpus-based study of the representation of migrants in the UK and Italian press. Presented at ‘9th Inter-Varietal Applied Corpus Studies International Biennial Conference 2018’ - University of Malta.

24th February 2018 Del Fante, D. Zorzi, F. (2018), Discourse and Populism in Politicians’ Social Media Messages: A Preliminary Study. Presented at Words, Images and Ideology of Populism 3.0. (Università di Napoli "L’Orientale", Napoli, 23rd-24th February 2018)

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENTS AND TRAINEESHIPS

April 2019 **Co-teaching activity - University of Padova (Italy)**
Seminar on the identification of metaphors in language through software.
Introduction to the learning of English for Specific Purposes for the course of *English Language and Linguistics* (Professor Erik Castello)

April 2018 **Co-teaching activity – University of Siena (Italy)**
Teaching activity in the Workshop “Using Sketch Engine: An introduction to the use of Sketch Engine for Discourse analyst” during the course Corpus Approach to Discourse Analysis (Professor Alison Duguid).

*From June 2017 to
July 2017*

Student Researcher at University of Siena (Italy)
Collection and Mark-up of a British newspaper corpus.
Supervisor: Alison Duguid.

*From September
2016 to April 2017*

Research Assistant at School of English, University of Sussex (United Kingdom)
Data collection and storage from different sources. Knowledge in how to standardise formats and language for storage, how to design data storage to enable efficient retrieval. The placement presumed some previous knowledge of linguistics and basic corpus design and construction. Skills training has been provided for all activities.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

*From January 2019 –
date*

Erasmus Traineeship at University of Sussex (United Kingdom)
6-month scholarship

October 2017 – date

PhD scholarship at the University of Padova (Italy)

*September 2016 –
June 2017*

Erasmus Traineeship at University of Sussex (United Kingdom)
7-month scholarship

July 2013

Erasmus Intensive Programme, Playing Identities: Acting, the Self and the Society – Univesiry of Siena (Italy)
2-week scholarship

LANGUAGES

Italian

Mother tongue

English

Advanced knowledge (C1 level – IELTS Grade 7,5)

Spanish

Elementary knowledge (A2 level)

German

Basic knowledge

I.T. COMPETENCE

Advanced knowledge of corpus analysis toolkits and software (*AntConc, GraphColl, Wordsmith Tools, SketchEngine*)

Advanced knowledge of Microsoft Office

Basic knowledge of R and Python.